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Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distribution Wednesday

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned a tailgate food distribution for 11 a.m. Wednesday at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15. Distribution is while supplies last. All are welcome, regardless of home county or reason for need. No IDs, proof of address or income will be required. If you are walking up or coming via a vehicle too small to carry a load of food, please plan to arrive an hour after the tailgate starts. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

Clark Gallery to host 2020 photography show

The Honeywell Center Clark Gallery will be the site

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City: Norfolk Southern working to install 'crash beams' in future

WPD: Signage increased,
but Carroll Street railroad
crossing still problem spot

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Rail Safety Week lasts through Friday, and it couldn't be a more appropriate topic for the city of Wabash.

In June, Mayor Scott Long announced the closure of the Carroll Street railroad crossing after a series of accidents involving several semis which had become stuck on

the tracks.

"City Hall is working closely with Norfolk Southern to install 'crash beams' on the north and south sides of the Carroll Street crossing," said Long on Monday. "What was believed to be a simple process must go through the channels of Norfolk Southern Engineering for approval, and other departments for approval before installation."

Continued problems lead to increased signage

A few weeks after its initial closing, the intersection was re-opened.

Capt. Matt Benson, Wabash Police Department (WPD) public information officer, said the problems began again soon after.

"When it was opened back up the Street Department put more signage stating no semis," said Benson on Tuesday. "However, a short time later we had another semi stuck on the track."

Benson said this led to additional signage placed in the roadway to prevent semis from even getting close to the tracks.

"Since that additional signage we have no problems with the tracks. No other issues with other tracks.

The only other issues we had had semi-related is semis off the truck route and not following the detour signs. This has led to semis in the residential areas. The police then escort them back to the truck route," said Benson.

Rail Safety Week, Operation Clear Track and Operation Lifesaver

On Saturday, Benson said the WPD was joining Operation Clear Track, the single largest rail safety

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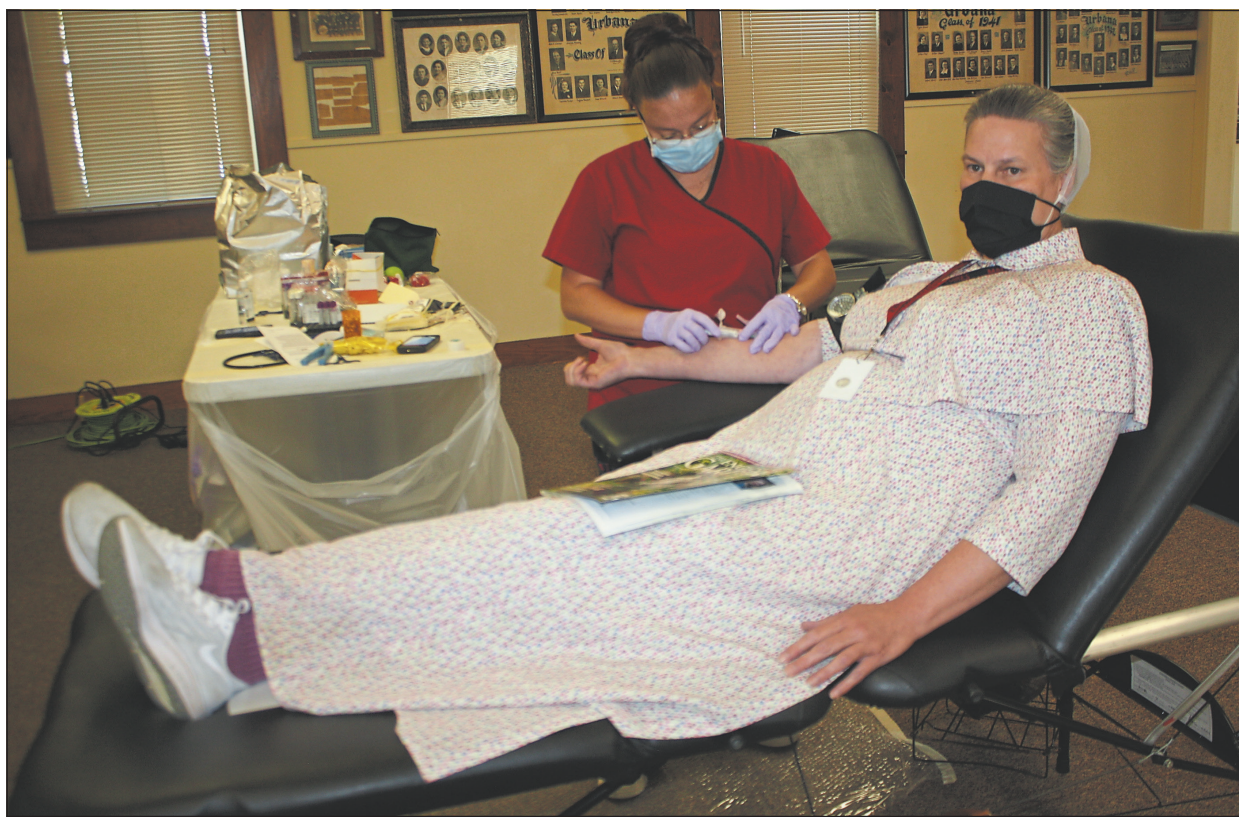


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Last month's Red Cross blood drive at the Urbana Lion's Club was appointment-only.

Urbana blood drive was open by appointment only, no walk-ins

Next Wabash County
donation opportunity set
from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday at 1100 N. Cass St.

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

At last month's Red Cross blood drive at the Urbana Lion's Club, the signs on the door were just the first indications that something was different.

"Please do not give blood today if: In the past 14 days you have had any symptoms of COVID-19 (or) in the past 14 days you had a positive diagnostic test (for example, nasal swab test) for COVID-19 but you never developed symptoms. If you think you should not donate based on the information above, you may leave at this time," read the sign.

Chris Hann, head of the Outreach Committee for Urbana Yoke Parish, who sat across the street said things were running smoothly despite the pandemic.

"Everything is appointment only today. There's no walk-ins," said Hann.

According to Rodney J. Wilson, Red Cross external communications manager, the next blood drive in Wabash County has been set for the Tri Kappa Fun Lunch from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday at 1100 N. Cass St.

Hann said the Red Cross set a goal for their most recent event at 36 units of blood. Hann said only two people had canceled, leaving them very close to their goal, despite the challenges.

"We're real happy. It's working out very well," said Hann. "They've done every precaution, so people don't fear going to give blood because they've got it taken care of. And there is a need."

Hann said the Red Cross was limiting how many people were in the

building.

"The waiting area is scattered more. The Red Cross comes and gets each person," said Hann.

Hann said donors were encouraged to use the RapidPass, which is the Red Cross' online pre-registration system.

"It speeds the process up and it's one less thing they've got to sanitize," Hann said.

Hann said donors' temperatures were taken at the door. Hann said besides the masks, social distancing and the constant sanitization of the bathrooms and elsewhere, the biggest change was culinary.

"In the canteen area, we normally ... do pulled pork or chili soup. We always have something different. And then that was not allowed. It's was only what they bring today," said Hann.

Hann said they were forced to

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WHS plans homecoming parade for Friday

The procession will
leave at 4:30 p.m.
from 580 N. Miami St.

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The COVID-19 pandemic has put many aspects of modern life on hold, but the Wabash High School (WHS) homecoming parade won't be one of them.

On Tuesday, Capt. Matt Benson, Wabash Police Department (WPD) public information officer, said the WHS homecoming parade would take place on Friday, Sept. 25. Benson said the parade

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Local positive virus cases now at 261

The state still reports
eight local deaths

STAFF REPORT

As of Tuesday, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) reported the total number of positive COVID-19 cases in Wabash County was 261.

The state still reported eight local deaths.

On Saturday, the ISDH added two new local positive COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total to 260, with

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Family Video in Wabash checking out by end of October

After 21 years, 53 E.
Market St. location
closing on Oct. 24

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Inside the Family Video at 53 E. Market St., on Monday, everything was marked on sale and was further reduced. Movies, games and TV shows previously for rent were now on clearance. In the back, the adult section was closed, but up front a sign informed shoppers they could buy the floor mats by the door for \$10 a piece.

The evidence was every-

where that the unhappy trend of brick and mortar video stores closing up shop had claimed another victim.

"Unfortunately the Wabash location is closing," said Suzanne Peterson, district manager for Highland Ventures, which owns the store.

On Monday, Peterson said Family Video, the last video rental chain in the country, had begun their liquidation sale at the Wabash location, which would be closing its doors Saturday, Oct. 24.

"COVID-19 has hit many businesses hard and it is unfortunate that this location just did not bounce back," said Peterson.

Peterson said this Family Video location had been open for the past 21 years.

"We are very thankful to have been able to provide entertainment for many family movie nights, and want to thank the people of Wabash and our incredible staff for the many years of support and service," said Keith Hoogland, CEO of Highland Ventures.

For more information, email bill.mohler@legacypro.com or visit www.highlandventuresltd.com or www.familyvideo.com.

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Wabash VFW Post No. 268 to hold tenderloin dinner this Friday

The menu will include hand-breaded tenderloin, potato salad and also coleslaw

STAFF REPORT

The Wabash Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post

No. 286 will host a tenderloin dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25 at 3678 W. Old 24, according to Dan Ford.

The menu will include hand-breaded tenderloin, potato salad and coleslaw. The cost is \$9 per person. Carry-out will be available. This event will be open to the public. For info, call 260-563-2463.

VIRUS

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4,750 tests. The seven-day positivity rate for all tests was 1.1 percent. The seven-day positivity rate for unique individuals was 3.2 percent. On Sunday, the ISDH added three new local positive COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total to 263, with 4,825 tests. The seven-day positivity rate for all tests was 1.3 percent. The seven-day positivity rate for unique individuals was 3.5 percent. On Monday, the ISDH didn't add any new local positive COVID-19 cases, but the total number of positive Wabash County cases was adjusted to 262. The seven-day positivity rate for all tests was 1.5 percent. The seven-day positivity rate for unique individuals

was 3.8 percent. On Tuesday, the ISDH added one new local positive COVID-19 case, but the total number of positive Wabash County cases was adjusted to 261. The seven-day positivity rate for all tests was 1.8 percent. The seven-day positivity rate for unique individuals was 3.9 percent. Statewide on Tuesday, the ISDH announced that 652 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at the state laboratory, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and private laboratories. That brings to 112,626 the total number of Indiana residents known to have the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day's dashboard. A total of 3,295 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of nine from the previous

day. Another 225 probable deaths have been reported based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record. Deaths are reported based on when data are received by the state and occurred over multiple days. To date, 1,315,440 unique individuals have been tested in Indiana, up from 1,308,645 on Monday. A total of 1,898,563 tests, including repeat tests for unique individuals, have been reported to the state Department of Health since Feb. 26. The state Department of Health will host a free drive-thru testing site from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Saturday at Washington Elementary School, 2400 Cardinal Drive, East Chicago. To find other testing sites around the state, visit www.coronavirus.in.gov and click on the COVID-19 testing information link.

PARADE

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would leave "promptly" at 4:30 p.m. from Wabash High School, 580 N. Miami St. Benson said the parade will be exit onto Miami Street, before continuing north on

Miami Street. Benson said the parade will then travel east on Harrison Avenue and then turn north on Wabash Street. Benson said the parade will then continue north on Wabash Street before turning east on Euclid Street. Benson said the parade

will then head east on Euclid Street and turn south on Alber Street. Benson said the parade will end at Alumni Field at WHS. "Motorists traveling through this area should expect short delays," said Benson.

BLOOD

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cancel their blood drive in April due to the Lions Club being shut down. Hann said there was always a need for blood donors. "I understand people don't like needles and I understand that, but sometimes you have to step outside your comfort zone. I even made the offer because I don't care for clowns. I said, 'If somebody will overcome their fear of needles, I'll let a clown take my blood.' But the Red Cross wouldn't let that happen. They said, 'You know people are nervous about giving anyway. You don't want to give them one more reason to not give blood,'" said Hann.

"I understand. My wife just hates needles. She came and if she closes her eyes that's OK, but they won't let her close her eyes because they don't know if she's passed out or not. But, she sucked it up and gave." Hann said he had very personal reasons for being so involved. "I lost my mom last year to leukemia and she battled that for two and a half years and I know the amount of blood that she got during that time. And times she had to wait. Giving has always been important to me, but that really drove it home. While she was going through that, I made mention to people on Facebook and we had a really good turnout for her," said Hann.

Wilson said the American Red Cross needs people of all races and ethnicities to give blood to help ensure a blood supply as diverse as the patients who depend on it. "For a small percentage of the population, finding someone else with the same blood type can be difficult. While the vast majority of people have types A, B, O or AB blood, some blood types are unique to certain racial and ethnic groups, so a diverse blood supply is important to meeting the medical needs of a diverse patient population. Patients who require frequent blood transfusions as part of their treatment, like those with sickle cell disease or other lifelong blood disorders, often need close blood type matches to prevent complications from their transfusion therapy," said Wilson. "All blood types are needed to ensure that the right blood product is available at the right time for all patients."





Wilson said the Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. "The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms. Donors can expect to receive the results of their antibody test within seven to 10 days through the Red Cross Blood Donor App or the online donor portal. The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test. To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation." Make an appointment to donate by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device. To learn more and sign up to host a blood drive this fall or winter, visit RedCrossBlood.org/HostADrive.

5-Day Weather Summary

 Wednesday Partly Cloudy 79 / 54	 Thursday Partly Cloudy 78 / 55	 Friday Mostly Sunny 80 / 58	 Saturday Partly Cloudy 81 / 60	 Sunday Few Showers 75 / 54
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 7:42 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:38 a.m.

 First 9/23	 Full 10/1	 Last 10/9	 New 10/16
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high of 79°, humidity of 49%. West southwest wind 2 to 7 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 54°. Southwest wind 1 to 6 mph. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy, high of 78°, humidity of 45%. South southwest wind 1 to 6 mph.

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of the 2020 Photography Show sponsored by Harmon Photography through Wednesday, Sept. 23. For the 2020 Photography Show, a photographer may enter up to three pieces. Categories include black and white, color, and altered images. To review the 2020 Photography Show guidelines and complete the entry forms, visit Honeywell-Center.org/photo-show. Early entries can be made by appointment only by contacting Michele Hughes by email at clarkgallery@honeywell-foundation.org or by calling 260-274-1411.

Manchester University's all-virtual Homecoming continues

Manchester University Alumni Relations is meeting the COVID-19 challenge with an all-virtual Homecoming. A Facebook live event, "1970 Kent State Protests" by Professor Katy Gray Brown, will be offered at 8 a.m. Friday,

Sept. 25. The traditional Peace Studies Plaque Dedication is 10 a.m. live on Facebook on Saturday, Sept. 26. A special Homecoming Pre-Game program will follow at noon. The football game was canceled because of restrictions imposed by COVID-19. For more information, visit the Manchester University Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/ManchesterUniv.

Shop Hop begins in downtown Wabash

Wabash Marketplace is introducing a "Shop Hop" to downtown Wabash. The inaugural event will last through Friday, Sept. 25 and includes a chance to win a prize of \$100 Shop Hop Dollars. Take the entry form to each participating business and receive a validation mark, no purchase necessary. Once the entry form is 100 percent completed, participants submit their entry to Bickford of Wabash, 3037 W. Division Road. There will be a collection box at the entrance door. Entry forms must be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25. The four

businesses participating in Shop Hop are Bellazo, 35 W. Market St.; Bluebird Boutique, 26 W. Market St.; C & J Raxx, 61 W. Canal St.; and Wooden Ivy, 36 W. Canal St. For more information, visit www.wabashmarketplace.org.

Weed Wrangle to be held Sept. 26 at Salamonie Lake

Meet Upper Wabash Invasives Network (UWIN) members and volunteers and get some hands-on experience learning more about invasive species and how to manage them from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 26 at Salamonie Lake's Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Those interested in attending should wear long-sleeved shirts and closed-toe shoes; and bring work gloves, wide-brimmed hats, sunscreen and bug spray. Have tools? Bring them. No chainsaws. Some tools will also be provided. The first 30 people who register in advance and work will receive a "hot-off-the-press" UWIN T-shirt. For more information and for advance registration, call 260-468-2127.



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

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PLAN

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operation in North America. Benson said the organization's mission was to reduce preventable deaths and injuries on rail lines. "The goal of Operation Clear Track and Rail Safety Week is to raise awareness of the importance of safe behavior near tracks and trains," said Benson. "With a railway, running through the city of Wabash it is a great reminder of the dangers of being around trains and tracks." Benson said over 2,100 people are seriously injured

or killed each year in these sorts of accidents. "Our goal is to reduce the number of railway crossing and trespassing incidents not only in Wabash but nationwide," said Benson. On Tuesday, Jessica Feder, executive director of Indiana Operation Lifesaver, announced Gov. Eric Holcomb had declared it to be Rail Safety Week in Indiana. "Our goal is to increase rail safety awareness by working collaboratively with virtual events due to COVID-19 and socially distanced in-person events," said Feder. Feder said every three hours a vehicle or person is

hit by a train in the United States. Feder said most of the collisions in Indiana have occurred at crossings with active warning devices. In 2019, Indiana experienced 120 railroad crossing collisions resulting in 44 people injured and 11 fatalities. Indiana is currently ranked fourth nationally for railroad crossing collisions. Indiana had nine "trespasser" deaths last year, as well as eight injuries. For more information, visit www.oli.org or call 812-528-4327. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.

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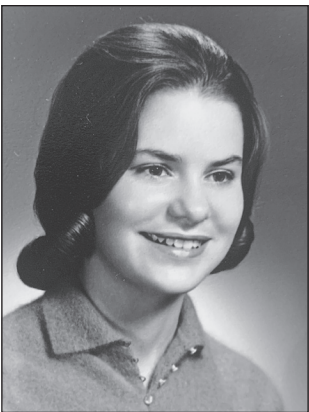
Jan 5, 1944 – Sept 18, 2020

Sandra Kay Ralston, known to all as Sandy, 76, of Fishers, passed away September 18, 2020 at Edgewater Woods in Anderson. She was born January 5, 1944 in Wabash, Indiana, to Bertha and Charles Eckman.

Sandra graduated from Wabash High School in 1962. She worked at Anderson Bank for many years and retired as the office manager and bookkeeper from Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department after 13 years.

She loved playing golf, traveling, going to auctions, antiques, quilting and sewing. She also loved her handkerchiefs and going to concerts. Sandra enjoyed dressing up for Halloween and participating in the Haunted Trails with the Hamilton County Parks Department. She was an avid reader, loved music, and most of all being with her family who she adored.

Sandra is survived by her loving husband, George Ralston, whom she married February 8, 1974; children, Nathan S. Lykins and Lesley D. Volk; step-daughter, Dawn L. Ralston; grandsons, Ethan and Evan Volk; three step-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren; and two step-great-great-grandchildren. Also surviving is her brother, Lance



(Karen) Eckman; nephews, Bret and Mark Eckman, and Bruce Bridges; great-nephew, Kristopher (Kimmi) Eckman; cousins, Jim Eckman, JoEllen Eckman Cline, and Paul Schmidt; brother-in-law, John (Vickie) Ralston; sister-in-law, Tamara (David) Bridges, and numerous friends who adored her.

She was preceded in death by her parents and grandparents.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, 200 West 53rd St. Anderson, IN.

Services will follow visitation at 2:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will take place in the Anderson Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Alzheimer's Association.

Lois I. 'Lou' Clark

Dec 22, 1935 – Sept 19, 2020

Lois I. "Lou" Clark, 84, North Manchester, passed away September 19, 2020. Lou was born December 22, 1935 in Wabash, Indiana, to Donald and Barbara (Randell) Hetler.

The loving memory of Lois I. Clark will be forever cherished by her sons, Michael J. (Donna) Clark, Gregory A. Clark, and Steven W. (Donna) Clark; daughter, Rhonda (Kim)

Bradley; brothers, Donald (Jackie) Helter and Dennis Houston; sister, Donna Mae Dennis; son-in-law, Edward Wolms; step-father, Marvin Huston; twelve grandchildren; and sixteen great-grandchildren.

Private services will be held at a later date. Burial will be at Oaklawn Cemetery, 600 Beckley Street, North Manchester, Indiana.

Karen Elaine Conley

Dec 31, 1944 – Sept 20, 2020

Karen Elaine Conley, 75, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, September 20, 2020 at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She was born December 31, 1944 in Wabash, to Charles Cooley and Martha (Burkholder) Cooley-Watson.

Karen was a 1962 graduate of Wabash High School. She married Paul V. Conley in Wabash on June 22, 1963; he died July 3, 2013. Karen was the bookkeeper for Marsh Supermarket and LoBill Foods, both in Wabash, retiring after 42 and a half years. She attended the Southside Free Will Baptist Church. Karen enjoyed cooking, gardening, going to church, and spending time with her family.

She is survived by two daughters, Melissa Gatt of Wabash, and Teresa (Alfred

IV) Plummer of Noblesville, Indiana, four grandchildren, Derrick Gatt and Caitlin Meade, both of Fort Wayne, Alexandra Plummer and Ryan Plummer, both of Noblesville, and great-granddaughter, Hadley Meade of Fort Wayne. She was also preceded in death by her parents, and two brothers, Charles "Ted" Cooley, and Bill Cooley.

Services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, September 26, 2020, at Grandstaff-Hengtgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Rev. Tim Webb officiating. Friends may call 9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Southside Free Will Baptist Church.

The memorial guest book for Karen may be signed at www.grandstaff-hengtgen.com.



Loren Harvey 'Harve' Watkins

May 16, 1935 – Sept 18, 2020

Loren Harvey "Harve" Watkins, 85, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 1:35 p.m., Friday, September 18, 2020 at Parkview Wabash Hospital. He was born May 16, 1935 in Lagro, Indiana, to Lawrence Watkins and Agness (Rinearson) Schnar.

Harve was a 1953 graduate of Lagro High School and a US Army veteran. He married Nancy Lou Cole in Madison, Indiana on October 18, 1958; she died March 28, 2020. He retired from Dana Corporation in Marion. Harve enjoyed antiques, playing cards, and going to garage sales and flea markets. He was a jack of all trades.

He is survived by three children, Tena Herron of Wabash, Tobin Watkins of Lucas Lake, Florida, and Amy Maples of Wabash, eight grandchildren, Chad

Morris of Wabash, Lesley (Chad) Nelson of LaFontaine, Indiana, Trent (Kelly) Watkins of Panama City Beach, Florida, Travis (Chuck) Watkins of Destin, Florida, Tyler (Ashley) Watkins of Southport, Florida, Jamie (Mike) Kuzemka of Bloomington, Indiana, Aleese Maples of Panama City Beach, and Mescha Watkins of LaFontaine, and 11 great grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents, son, Troy Watkins, four brothers, and two sisters.

Graveside services will be private. Entombment will be in the Chapel of Remembrance Mausoleum at Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Arrangements by Grandstaff-Hengtgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

The memorial guest book for Harve may be signed at www.grandstaff-hengtgen.com.



Tropical storm Beta stalls over Texas coast

By **JUAN A. LOZANO**

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Beta weakened to a tropical depression Tuesday as it parked itself over the Texas coast, raising concerns of extensive flooding in Houston and areas farther inland.

Beta made landfall late Monday as a tropical storm just north of Port O'Connor, Texas, and has the distinction of being the first time a storm named for a Greek letter made landfall in the continental United States. Forecasters ran out of traditional storm names last week, forcing the use of the Greek alphabet for only the second time since the 1950s.

By mid-morning Tuesday, Beta was 15 miles east-northeast of Victoria, Texas, with maximum sustained winds of 35 mph, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said. The storm was moving toward the northeast at 2 mph and is expected to stall inland over Texas through Wednesday.

The National Weather Service said areas south and east

of Houston had already seen 10 inches or more of rain by midday Tuesday because of Beta.

Street flooding was reported in parts of Houston, but there were no reports of buildings being flooded, Mayor Sylvester Turner said late Tuesday morning. Turner urged residents to stay home and, if they couldn't, to not drive around the 70-some barricades placed throughout the city.

"It's going to be moving very slowly heading east and until it clears and gets on the east side of Houston, we're going to have to deal with these rain bands," Turner said.

Beta was the ninth named storm that made landfall in the continental U.S. this year. That tied a record set in 1916, according to Colorado State University hurricane researcher Phil Klotzbach.

Beta was expected to eventually move over Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi later in the week, bringing the risk of flash flooding.

Forecasters warned of

heavy rainfall Tuesday on the middle and upper Texas coast, which will cause significant flash flooding. Six to 12 inches of rain was expected, with some isolated areas of up to 20 inches, forecasters said.

However, forecasters and officials reassured residents Beta was not expected to be another Hurricane Harvey or Tropical Storm Imelda. Harvey in 2017 dumped more than 50 inches of rain on Houston, causing \$125 billion in damage in Texas. Imelda, which hit south Texas last year, was one of the wettest cyclones on record.

Gov. Greg Abbott issued a disaster declaration for 29 Texas counties on Monday, ahead of Beta's arrival.

Beta is forecast to dump heavy rain on the southwestern corner of Louisiana three weeks after the same area got pounded by Hurricane Laura. The rainfall and storm surge prompted Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards to declare a state of emergency.

In Lake Charles, Mayor Nic Hunter worried about Beta's

rainfall could set back efforts in his Louisiana community to recover after Laura, which damaged about 95 percent of the city's 30,000 structures. Hunter said the worry of another storm was "an emotional and mental toll for a lot of our citizens."

Parts of the Alabama coast and Florida Panhandle were still reeling from Hurricane Sally, which roared ashore Wednesday, causing at least two deaths.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Teddy continued its path toward Canada, with a predicted landfall in Nova Scotia early Wednesday before moving into Newfoundland on Wednesday night, forecasters said. The large and powerful storm was causing dangerous rip currents along the U.S. East Coast, and tropical storm conditions were expected to begin in Nova Scotia by Tuesday afternoon, the hurricane center said.

Teddy was about 345 miles south of Halifax, Nova Scotia, on Tuesday morning with maximum sustained winds of 105 mph.

Dutch Sheets prayer series to begin at Victory Christian Fellowship

The series will run each Wednesday through Nov. 11

STAFF REPORT

"Intercessory Prayer: How God Can Use Your Prayers to Move Heaven and Earth," an eight-session DVD series with accompanying notes, will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23 at 112 W. Main St., North Manchester, according to Pastor Tim Morbitzer.

The series will run each Wednesday through Nov. 11. "In eight 30-minute sessions, pastor, teacher and author Dutch Sheets explains with wisdom and humor the nuts and bolts of prayer. He will inspire you. He will give you the courage to pray for the

impossible and help you find the persistence to see your prayers to completion. Based on his best-selling book by the same name, this series is a tremendous resource and help," said Morbitzer. "Your prayers are powerful. Discover your role as a prayer warrior – it can mean the difference between heaven and hell for someone you know."

There is no fee for the series.

"If God is all-powerful, why does He need us to pray? If we pray and nothing happens, does this mean that God isn't listening? If you've ever felt that your prayers don't count, Intercessory Prayer will show you just how vital your prayers are," said Sheets.

For further information, call 260-982-8357.

Senate GOP lines up with Trump to fill court seat quickly

By **LISA MASCARO, ZEKE MILLER and MARY CLARE JALONICK**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans have swiftly fallen in line behind President Donald Trump's rush to fill the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg's Supreme Court seat, all but ensuring a divisive confirmation vote despite Democrats' objections it's too close to the Nov. 3 election.

Trump, who will announce his nominee Saturday, says he's confident his choice will be confirmed.

"I guess we have all the votes we're going to need," Trump told WJBX FOX 2 in Detroit on Tuesday, "I think it's going to happen."

Trump and conservatives are insisting on a vote before Election Day, and Republicans control the Senate, 53-47, with a simple majority needed for confirmation. The one remaining possible Republican holdout, Mitt Romney of Utah, said Tuesday he supports taking a vote.

Still, with early voting for president already underway in several states, all sides are girding for a wrenching Senate battle sure to further split a torn nation.

Trump and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell have launched one of the quickest confirmation efforts in modern times. No court nominee in U.S. history has been considered so close to a presidential election. And it all comes as the nation is marking the grave milestone of 200,000 deaths from the pandemic.

During a private lunch meeting Tuesday at Senate

GOP campaign headquarters, several Republican senators spoke up in favor of voting before the election. None advocated a delay.

McConnell made no scheduling announcements but said once Trump announces his choice, the Senate Judiciary Committee will outline a plan. "We all anticipate it's going to be an extremely well-qualified woman," McConnell said.

Democrats, led by presidential nominee Joe Biden, vow a tough fight but need four GOP defections to block consideration. So far, two Republicans have said they oppose taking up a nomination at this time, but no others are in sight. Under Senate rules, Vice President Mike Pence can break a tie vote.

As tributes poured in for Ginsburg with vigils and flowers at the court's steps, the Senate Democratic leader, Chuck Schumer, said that "we should honor her dying wish," which was that her seat not be filled until the man who wins the presidential election is installed, in January. But that seemed no longer an option.

Confirmation hearings could start in early October. Senate Judiciary Chairman Lindsey Graham, who faces his own tough re-election in South Carolina, said he's confident his panel has time to consider Trump's pick and send it to full Senate "before Election Day."

Trump met with conservative Judge Amy Coney Barrett at the White House on Monday and told reporters he would interview other candidates and might meet with Judge Barbara Lagoa.

Scholarship honors memory of Ivy Tech’s Mike Culver

Family, friends celebrating his birthday with donations to support students

STAFF REPORT

Michael “Mike” Culver spent nearly 10 years at Ivy Tech Community College before his untimely death on May 18 at the age of 59, but his family and friends are determined his memory – and his love for the college’s students – will live on through years of scholarship support for future learners, according to Linda Ferries,

media relations coordinator. During his years in Ivy Tech’s Kokomo Service area, Culver worked in many capacities at four different instructional sites and campuses. His roles included serving as an adult basic education instructor at the Miami Correctional Facility, assistant director of Admissions at Ivy Tech Peru, associate director of Student Support and Development and student advisor at Ivy Tech Wabash, and academic advisor at the Kokomo Campus. After his death, his wife, Cheri Culver, and their family established the Michael Culver Memorial Endowed Scholarship. This month,



Michael “Mike” Culver spent nearly 10 years at Ivy Tech Community College before his untimely death on May 18 at the age of 59.

in honor of Mike’s birthday on Sept. 26, donors can celebrate Mike’s life, and increase the scholarship fund’s impact on students,

by adding a memorial contribution to the more than \$12,000 already collected. “Our family cannot even begin to share our appreciation and love to everyone who visited, called, texted, sent cards, and loved us in the weeks following Mike’s untimely passing,” said Cheri Culver, a school psychologist who serves students in the Wabash-Miami Area Program special education cooperative. “We also want to thank everyone for their generous donations towards the scholarship in Mike’s name. Mike’s humble servant heart would not be able to comprehend how much he was loved by others. This scholarship shows

exactly how much he was respected in this community. Mike loved working for Ivy Tech and working in the Wabash, Peru, and Kokomo communities. He was very intentional about his outreach to others through his faith and his career.” Reflecting Mike’s interests, the Michael Culver Memorial Scholarship is earmarked to support returning adult students who are seeking technical certificates or associate degrees from the School of Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering and Applied Technology. It’s open to students at least 24 years old who are attending classes full time at Ivy Tech sites in Kokomo,

Logansport or Peru. “At home, he was ‘Pops’ to all of us,” said Cheri Culver. Cheri Culver said their “close” family that includes their four sons, three daughters-in-law, and five grandchildren. “Family was a priority to him. We are so proud of this scholarship in his name. Our family feels very blessed,” said Cheri Culver. Contributions may be made by visiting <https://im pact.ivytech.edu/mikeculver>. For more information, email Kelly Karickhoff, executive director of resource development for Ivy Tech Kokomo, at kkarickhoff@ivytech.edu or call 765-252-5501.

Consul-General of Japan in Chicago to visit Wabash City Schools

\$30K grant to be presented on behalf of the Japan Foundation, the government of Japan

STAFF REPORT

On Friday, Kenichi Okada, Consul-General of Japan Chicago will be visiting Wabash to present Wabash City Schools (WCS) with a grant check for \$30,000 on behalf of the Japan Foundation and the government of Japan, according to Superintendent Jason Callahan.

This funding is directly supporting the start of Japanese language instruction in both Wabash Middle School and Wabash High School. “On behalf of Wabash City Schools, we are honored to welcome Consul-General Okada to our schools and our community,” said Callahan. “We believe that offering Japanese language instruction is an important step in our journey to prepare our students to become global citizens and we thank the Consul-General for his support of this initiative.” Callahan said global citizenship is a pillar of WCS “and our legacy building mission.”

“(WCS) provides a relevant and rigorous education, founded upon relationships, to ensure each student is college and career-ready for success in a global community. We believe it is important to help develop global citizens, starting at home.” Callahan said Japanese language instruction not only aids WCS students in a foreign language but also can assist them in securing a job at one of the more than 341 Japanese companies located in Indiana. “As a strong partner to our state, Japan values Indiana’s effort to expose students to Japanese language and cul-

ture,” said Callahan. Japan is Indiana’s number one foreign direct investor with more than 69,970 Hoosiers employed by Japanese companies. “I am excited for the opportunities we have with Consul-General Okada and his staff, as we continue to build relationships with our friends from Japan,” said Mayor Scott Long. “Our past trips to visit not only the Consul-General in Chicago but also our visits to Japan have built a foundation of cooperation so that we can introduce our residents to the world outside Wabash County. The ability of our community to offer Japanese Language

in our schools would not be possible without this relationship.” Keith Gillenwater, president and CEO of Grow Wabash County, agreed. “We are honored to welcome Consul-General Okada for his first visit to Wabash

County,” said Gillenwater. “We have worked very hard to build relationships with the Consul-General as we work to support not only our existing Japanese partner, Oji Intertech, but to create new opportunities for Japan-based investment into our community.”

Tri Kappa Fun Lunch planned for this Friday

Fundraiser to benefit FISH and Blessings in a Backpack

STAFF REPORT

A Tri Kappa Fun Lunch featuring Nelson’s Port-a-Pit Chicken has been planned from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 25 at the former Miller Home Furnishings parking lot, 1100 N. Cass St., according to a press release. Canned good donations to FISH will be accepted during this time. The cost will be \$8 for Port-a-Pit Chicken and \$4 for “Pit-tatos.”

Four purchase options will be available: Drive up, which will be cash only; order ahead that day and pick up, also cash only, by calling 260-571-9628; pre-purchase tickets at Wabash City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St., or the Eclectic Shoppe, 42 W. Canal St.; or call 260-571-9628 for delivery.

All proceeds will go to FISH and Blessings in a Backpack. Sponsors include the city of Wabash, Dr. John Conner, Doug and Patty Meagher, Denney Motors, The Herb Shop, Tri Kappa, Jason Dawes, Miller Home Furnishings and 105.9 The Bash.

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Apaches boys soccer defeats Delphi on Saturday

Wabash returned to action on Tuesday against Peru

By BRIDGET NASH
Wabash Plain Dealer
Freelance Reporter

After a late start on Saturday morning, the Wabash Apaches boys soccer team took on the Delphi Oracles at Alumni Field. The game was shortened to two 20-minute halves.

"It was weird playing a 40-minute half instead of 80," said Grant Carandante, senior forward.

The first possession of the game the Apaches came out swinging, with sophomore forward Solomon France took a shot and was stopped by the goal post. Later in the half, the Apaches gained a corner kick after a strong push towards the Oracle defense. Junior captain Andrew Dinkins served the ball into the middle of the box. Sophomore Jacob France met the corner kick and scored a header into the goal putting the Apaches ahead 1 to 0.

"We practiced it yesterday,"



Wabash senior Alexander Haynes regains possession of the ball from the Delphi midfield.

Photo by Bridget Nash / Plain Dealer

said Dinkins. "We knew what we had to do."

A free-kick at the end of the first half poised the Oracles into the position to match the score, but the play was stopped by the Apache defense.

In the second half, there were opportunities for both teams to score, but the ball didn't reach the back of the net. The final score stayed 1 to 0 with the Apaches taking home the win. Solomon France led the team with four

shots on goal for the game.

Wabash returned to action on Tuesday against their conference opponent Peru.

Bridget Nash, Wabash Plain Dealer freelance reporter, may be reached by email at sports@wabashplaindealer.com.

10th annual Breast Cancer Awareness Golf Scramble planned

Event set for Sunday, Oct. 4 at the Honeywell Golf Course

STAFF REPORT

The Honeywell Golf Course and the Ladies Golf Association (LGA) are hosting the 10th annual Honeywell Breast Cancer Awareness Scramble for men and women on Sunday, Oct. 4, according to Lana Garber, Honeywell LGA secretary.

The event begins with a 1 p.m. shotgun start and concludes with prizes and a raf-

fle draw.

Garber said the scramble is a fundraiser to raise awareness of the importance of mammograms in the fight against breast cancer. Proceeds will go to the 85 HOPE Medical Clinic Mammogram Fund which offers free mammograms to any Wabash County women aged 40 and over during October to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Garber is assisting Mel Thomas of the Honeywell Golf Course in coordinating the event.

"Choosing to give our proceeds to 85 Hope allows us

to directly help women in our county. Statistics show that breast cancer has touched nearly every family in our county. October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and an ideal time for golfers, both men and women, to play in a scramble for this great cause," said Garber.

Men and women, beginners and experienced golfers are welcomed. The \$60 player fee includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, snacks, a gift bag and prizes. A raffle of donated items will also take place.

To register, please call Mel Thomas at the Honeywell

Golf Course clubhouse at 260-563-8663 by Thursday, Oct. 1. Players are asked to make their foursomes. Social distancing procedures will take place and masks are required inside the clubhouse.

Also, \$75 hole sponsorships are available for \$75 from businesses, organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated. Players, hole sponsors and raffle donors are asked to mail and make payment by Thursday, Oct. 1 to the Honeywell Golf Course, 3360 W. Division Road, Wabash, IN 46992.

For more information, visit 85hope.org.

Norse varsity football gains a county win

Northfield will travel Friday to Wabash, while Manchester hosts Southwood

By ALINA REED
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Freelance Reporter

A Wabash County matchup saw two explosive offenses put on a show Friday evening as Manchester traveled to Northfield. The Squires obtained the opening kickoff and wasted no time before scoring on the first big play of the game. On the first play from scrimmage, a flea-flicker saw Blake Casper connect with Seth Gearte for an 80-yard touchdown.

Northfield came out firing on cylinders as well on their first possession. Sophomore Mason Fisher and senior Jarret Shafer both carried for first downs before Northfield got their first score. Senior, Alex Hauptert took his first carry of the night for a 49-yard touchdown, giving Northfield the 7 to 6 lead. The Norsemen defense came back out more locked in on their second drive as senior Michael Fisher forced and recovered a fumble, setting the Norse up with a very good field position. From 13 yards out, Hauptert took another carry into the end zone, building Northfield's lead to 14 to 6.

Manchester came back out, locked in again, with Gearte grabbing another reception and running for a 25-yard



Northfield's Clayton Tomlinson and Mason Fisher rushing to Manchester's Blake Pohler as he carries the ball to the end zone.

Photo by Alina Reed / Plain Dealer

gain. Three plays later, junior, Braxton Ream broke free for a 39-yard rushing touchdown. After failing on the two-point conversion, the Squires trailed 14 to 12.

The Northfield offense came right back with a score of their own. Mason Fisher returned the kickoff for 65-yards, with Shafer carrying the ball for 15 yards on the first play of the drive. On fourth down, the Norse turned to Hauptert again, as he ran for a 13-yard touchdown, his third of the first quarter. With a 21 to 12 lead. Michal Fisher jumped on another loose ball, grabbing his second fumble recovery of the game. Set up in close range again, Junior, Jake Halderman connected with Mason Fisher for a five-yard touchdown. The Squires came back with the ball, but pressure form junior, Jacob Snyder, forced Casper to throw an interception, fall-

ing into the hands of Mason Fisher.

Looking to build on their lead, Halderman connected with Hauptert for a 20-yard pass completion. Halderman then scrambled for a 33-yard touchdown of his own on the next play. After forcing a three-and-out, senior, Jayden Peas blocked the punt with Logan Cox scooping it up and taking it for a score, building Northfields lead to 41 to 12 as the game went to halftime.

The second half scoring began with Shafer taking a 25-yard rush to the end zone. Manchester was able to counter on their next drive as Blake Pohler brought in a 15-yard touchdown reception from Casper. Northfield wrapped up the scoring on the night with Halderman rushing for another touchdown, this one being from seven yards out.

The Norse came out on top of this county battle with a final score of 55-18.

"I want my team to improve with every game they play. Northfield held a great game tonight and I hope the boys use that to make them stronger," said Manchester head coach Alyx Brandewie.

"It was great to come together this weak and build on our team playing as one. I feel like we really all played together tonight and that is why we played so well," said Snyder.

Northfield is now 2-3 on the season, looking to find another win on Friday, Sept. 25 as they travel to Wabash. Manchester fall to 2-3, looking to reenter the win column this Friday, as they host Southwood.

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Wabash boys teams fare well at West Noble Cross Country Invitational

Southwood and Manchester also competed Saturday

By ROY CHURCH

Wabash's boys teams fared very well in Saturday's West Noble Cross Country Invitational.

In the high school varsity boys race, the Apaches tied for fifth place with Columbia City with 170 points but had to settle for sixth place (out of 26 teams) based on the tie-breaker. Wabash took ninth in the high school JV event.

In the middle school varsity race, the Wabash boys tied for third place with Maple Creek with 123 points but had to settle for fourth (out of 27 teams) based on the tie-breaker and the Apaches took third place in the reserve race.

Southwood and Manchester also competed. Southwood, paced by senior Braden Sweet's sixth-place finish, was 17th in the boys varsity race. Manchester was 22nd and Wabash 23rd in the girls middle school varsity event and Wabash was 15th in the middle school girls reserve race.

Ranked 10th in the state, Concordia Lutheran out of Fort Wayne won the high school boys varsity and JV events.

In the varsity race, Wabash was led by seniors Zack Reed (12th in 16:38.7) and Jarrett Wilson (17th in 16:58.5) and sophomore Dave Ford (22nd in 17:02.9). Other finishers were freshman Troy Guenin-Hodson in 60th (18:00.9), freshman Kaden Vogel in 61st (18:01.7), senior Caelan McDougle in 70th (18:09.3) and freshman Trevor Daughtry in 86th (18:45.3).

After Sweet's finish in 16:14.6 for the Knights, Casey Boardman was 105th (19:10.0), Jacob Marlow was 107th (19:11.3), Cayden Prickett was 116th (19:25.5), Landon Mitchell was 153rd (21:02.3), Skylar Amos was 167th (22:19.9) and Dean Elzy was 170th (22:40.9).

In the high school boys JV race, Wabash's finishers were Nick Perkins (25th in 18:56.1), Lincoln Saldivar (35th in 19:21.7), Sammy Smith (46th in 19:42.6), Elijah Callahan (48th in 19:52.6), Braydon French (53rd in 20:24.4) and Ethan Berry (58th in 20:41.3).

"I felt the boys - both middle and high school - raced well for where we are in the season," Wabash Head Coach Ryan Evans said. "There are some things that we need to work on in the later stages of the race to put us in the best position for success as a team. "The high school boys keep

improving week after week and will be ready mentally and physically by the time championship season comes around."

Competing as individuals in the high school girls varsity/reserve race were Wabash's Cali Kugler (169th in 25:05.8), Sierra Hall (206th in 27:58.10 and Grace LaMar (219th in 30:40.5), and Southwood's Monica Hobson (170th in 25:07.1).

Manchester's Ayla Cashdollar, the Wabash County 2020 champion, led her team in the middle school girls varsity event. She finished 13th in 12:00.9. Her teammates were Kadence Fox (73rd in 13:18.5), Chase Blevins (160th in 15:20.0), Shelby Cahill (179th in 16:51.0), Colson Baert (16:53.9), Allie Evans (185th in 17:43.6) and Kelzei Fox (191st in 19:09.1).

Wabash's finishers in that race were Raegen Jones (83rd in 13:29.1), Rinka Higuera (123rd in 14:13.7), Chloe Cooper (14:29.1), Bridget Bailey (142nd in 14:39.7), Mallory Tart (158th in 15:11.8), Ivy Beamer (161st in 15:22.4) and Mia Fairchild (166th in 15:37.4).

In the middle school girls reserve race, Wabash's finishers were Amy Bishir (62nd in 15:36.9), Caitlyn Shidler (74th in 15:50.7), Maya Howard (88th in 16:36.1), Audri Shidler (90th in 16:56.2) and Olivia Shelton (112th in 19:36.4).

Wabash's Chase Howard took 13th in the middle school boys varsity event in 11:00.1. Bobby Shull was next for the Apaches (22nd in 11:12.7), followed by Drew Guenin-Hodson (30th in 11:23.2), Jonas Church (33rd in 11:25.1), Jace Bullins (34th in 11:25.6), Coleston Kugler (80th in 11:59.6) and Isaiah Cordes (93rd in 12:15.0).

Manchester had three runners in the race: Trey Howard (24th in 11:15.5), Kyle Dale (31st in 11:24.1) and Taylor Markham (95th in 12:15.5).

Ezra Church, Camden Oswalt and Kasen Oswalt led the Wabash squad in the middle school boys reserve event. Church was 10th in 12:05.6, Camden Oswalt was 11th in 12:05.7 and his brother, Kasen, was 12th in 12:08.7. Other finishers were Jay French (40th in 12:53.6), Braxton Lakin (46th in 13:05.6), Raven Weaver (70th in 13:44.3) and Maverick Sommers (107th in 15:37.2).

"I was inspired by how many middle school boys challenged themselves in the midst of the best competition of the season," Evans said. "They were not scared."

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Indiana High School Football Poll
The Associated Press Top 10 Indiana high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through games of Tuesday, September 22, 2020, rating points and previous rankings:

Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Center Grove	(14)	5-0	280	1
2. Brownsburg	-	5-0	252	2
3. Merrillville	-	4-0	210	4
4. Lafayette Jeff	-	5-0	196	5
5. Indpls N. Central	-	4-1	132	3
6. Elkhart	-	4-0	126	9
7. Westfield	-	4-1	100	NR
8. Carmel	-	3-2	92	10
9. Carroll (Fort Wayne)	-	4-1	46	T6
10. Lawrence North	-	3-2	38	T6
Others receiving votes: Hamilton Southeastern 32, Homestead 32, Indpls Ben Davis 4.				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Indpls Cathedral	(14)	5-0	280	1
2. Valparaiso	-	3-0	248	2
3. Ft. Wayne Dwenger	-	4-1	216	4
4. New Palestine	-	3-1	198	5
5. Ev. North	-	5-0	144	6
6. Whiteland	-	4-1	122	7
7. Decatur Central	-	3-2	120	3
8. Floyd Central	-	4-1	100	8
9. Zionsville	-	3-2	48	10
10. Michigan City	-	2-1	26	NR
Others receiving votes: Lafayette Harrison 20, Ft. Wayne North 12, Bloomington South 4, Castle 2.				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Mt. Vernon (Hancock)	(11)	5-0	274	1
2. Mooresville	(3)	5-0	256	2
3. Jasper	-	5-0	202	3
4. Hobart	-	3-1	166	4
5. E. Central	-	4-1	164	5
6. Ev. Central	-	5-0	140	6
7. Indpls Roncalli	-	3-1	94	10
8. Lowell	-	4-0	80	9
9. Leo	-	4-1	78	NR
10. E. Noble	-	4-1	22	7

Others receiving votes: Columbia City 20, Ft. Wayne Wayne 16, NorthWood 14, Delta 6, Northridge 4, Silver Creek 2, Kankakee Valley 2.

Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Indpls Chatard	(7)	4-1	264	2
2. Mishawaka Marian	(6)	5-0	262	1
3. Southridge	(1)	5-0	216	3
4. W. Lafayette	-	4-1	206	4
5. Danville	-	3-0	166	5
6. Indpls Brebeuf	-	2-2	128	6
7. Lawrenceburg	-	4-1	118	8
8. Ft. Wayne Concordia	-	3-2	84	9
9. Mt. Vernon (Posey)	-	4-1	42	
10. N. Montgomery	-	4-1	24	7
Others receiving votes: Norwell 8, Franklin Co. 8, Indpls Ritter 6, Gibson Southern 4, Hanover Central 2, Peru 2.				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Andean	(13)	4-1	272	1
2. Eastbrook	-	4-1	224	2
3. Heritage Christian	-	4-0	210	4
4. Pioneer	-	4-1	206	3
5. Eastside	-	5-0	158	5
6. Tell City	(1)	5-0	150	7
7. Triton Central	-	4-1	112	T8
8. Tipton	-	3-1	54	10
9. Eastern (Greentown)	-	5-0	52	NR
10. S. Vermillion	-	4-1	44	6
Others receiving votes: Fairfield 24, Eastern Hancock 10, Lapel 10, LaVille 10, Ft. Wayne Luers 4.				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Indpls Lutheran	(13)	5-0	278	1
2. S. Adams	(1)	5-0	252	2
3. Parke Heritage	-	4-0	214	3
4. Southwood	-	5-0	192	4
5. Adams Central	-	4-1	160	T5
6. W. Washington	-	4-0	116	7
7. S. Putnam	-	5-0	104	8
8. Covenant Christian	-	5-0	102	9
9. Lafayette Catholic	-	1-2	52	T5
10. N. Daviess	-	4-0	26	NR
Others receiving votes: N. Judson 24, Sheridan 8, Monroe Central 6, Milan 2, Churubusco 2, Tri-Central 2.				

Transgender playmate poses a challenge to girl's grandma

DEAR ABBY: My 7-year-old granddaughter, “Leyla,” has a playmate who is a transgender girl. My fear is that she may find out the truth and feel betrayed by her playmate as well as me. Should I explain it to her?

It doesn’t matter to me that her friend is transgender because I have always believed that a person’s most important trait is having good morals. I’m an upfront and honest person. However, with respect to this subject, I feel that if I remain silent, it’s as though I’m somehow betraying my granddaughter. Leyla is very accepting of all people, and I don’t believe it would change her relationship with the child as long as I explain everything to her about people who are trans. Any advice would be appreciated. – Progressive Gran In Arizona

DEAR GRAN: Do Leyla’s parents know about the friendship? Assuming they do, have a chat with them, as well as the playmate’s parents, to make sure you’re all on the same page. I do not think you should “out” Leyla’s playmate to her. But I DO think it is time you start talking to your granddaughter about gender and what makes a girl a girl and what makes a boy a boy.

At some point, her friend may feel comfortable enough about the friendship – and herself – to tell Leyla herself. When that happens, be prepared to answer any questions your granddaughter may have. PFLAG, an organization I have mentioned before in my column, is an excellent resource for LGBTQ issues and will be helpful to you if you reach out. Its website is pflag.org.

DEAR ABBY: My worst fear has come true. My daughter just became engaged to someone we do not approve of. They have been together for three years, and it has been three years of drama – from not working because they have to be together 24/7 to domestic violence. Must I attend the wedding? Should I help her plan it? She is my first born and I adore her, but I feel she is making a huge mistake. – Reluctant In Ohio

DEAR RELUCTANT: I am going to assume that you have expressed your feelings and concerns to your daughter. If that’s the case, then you must accept that she is an adult and capable of making her own decisions. Should you help plan the wedding? Yes, as long as you are not paying for it. Should you attend even though you don’t approve of her choice of husband? Absolutely! If he’s a violent abuser, she is going to need family around her so she doesn’t become isolated and totally under his control. Her life could depend on it.

DEAR ABBY: Sadly, my son passed away (suicide), leaving his two younger sisters. I am often asked how many children I have, and I’m never sure how to respond. I feel it would be disrespectful to my son’s memory if I don’t include him. However, if I do, it invariably leads to more questions than I care to answer. Any insight would be greatly appreciated. Thank you. – Remembering Him

DEAR REMEMBERING: I am sorry for your loss. While a question about children is a way people often use to establish a common bond, it can be an emotionally loaded one. Consider offering this response: “I have three children. One of them is in heaven.” If you are pressed further, it would not be impolite to respond that the subject is painful and you would rather not discuss it.

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Theater section
- 5 Small broom
- 10 Farm haulers
- 12 Wolf relative
- 13 Go to extremes
- 14 Mr. Dan-gerfield
- 15 Salt away
- 16 Strange sighting
- 18 Telepathy
- 19 Window covering
- 21 Leg part
- 25 Farewell, to an infant (hyph.)
- 29 Sharpened
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- 32 Trawler net
- 33 Tried to persuade
- 34 Heaps
- 37 Harness parts
- 38 Rascal
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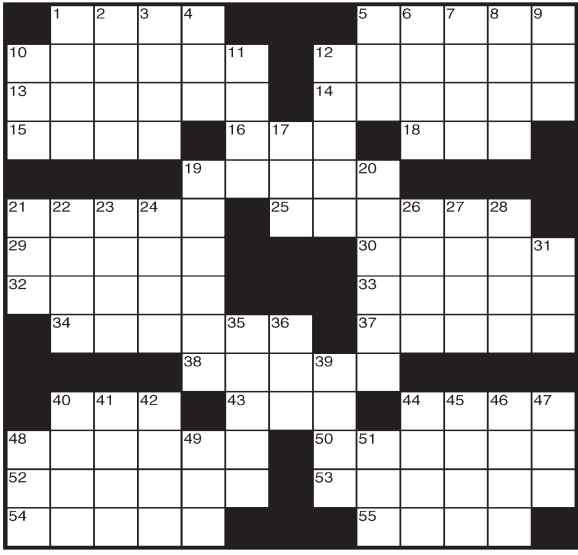
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- 10 Food steamer
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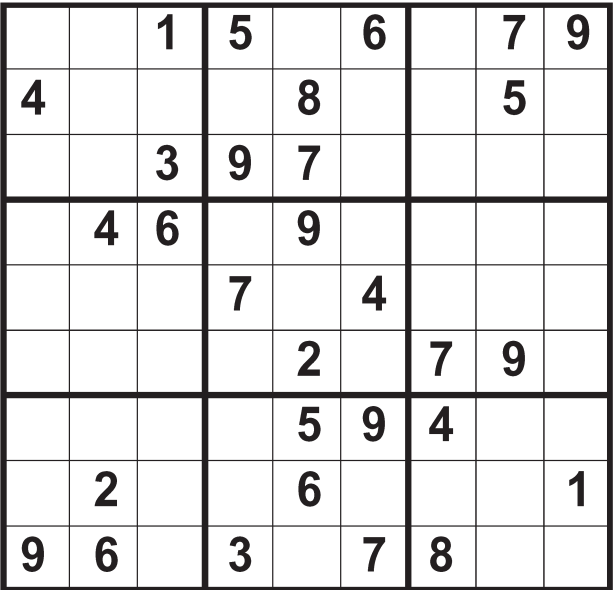
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- 24 “Stormy Weather” singer
- 26 Long-winded one
- 27 Jellystone bear
- 28 Utopia
- 31 Fabric meas.
- 35 Coach — Rockne
- 36 Took a load off
- 39 Prohibit
- 40 Comic-strip possum
- 41 Attila’s horde
- 42 Wading bird
- 44 “The Valley of Horses” author
- 45 Org. for Annika Sorenstam
- 46 Feeding time cry
- 47 Common ID
- 48 Puppy’s bark
- 49 Summer, to Pierre
- 51 Curved line



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SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★



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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION								
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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Print your answer here:

“ ” ?

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday’s Jumbles: LYRIC MESSY VORTEX AUTUMN

Answer: Ben Franklin was able to invent bifocals because of his ability to — “VISUAL-EYES”

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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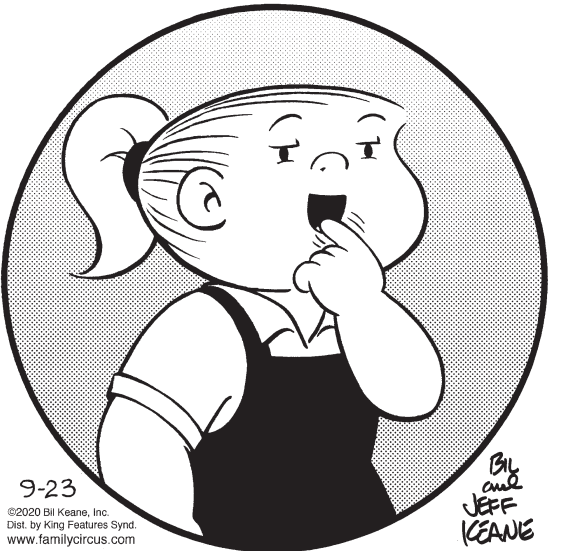


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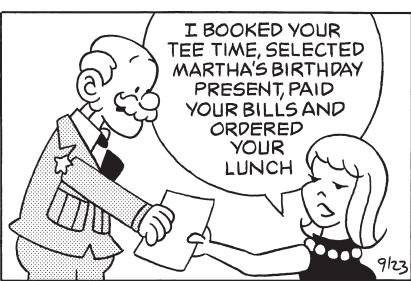
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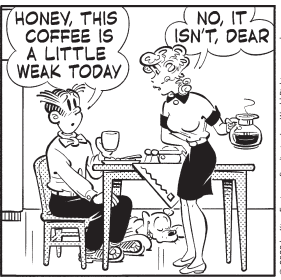


“Notify the tooth fairy, Mommy! I’m another tooth older!”

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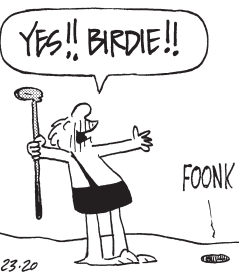
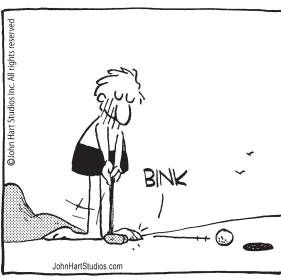
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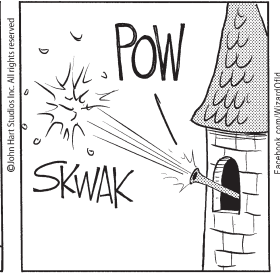
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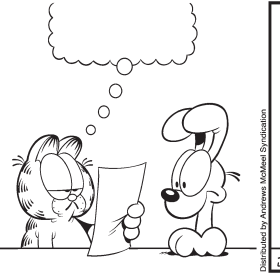
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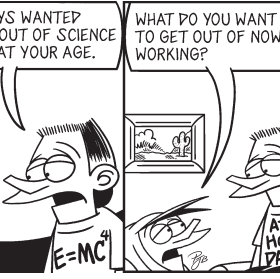
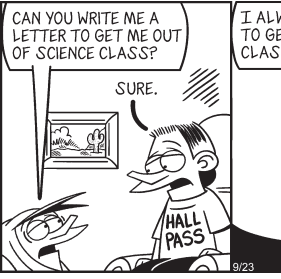
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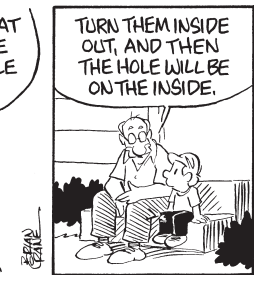
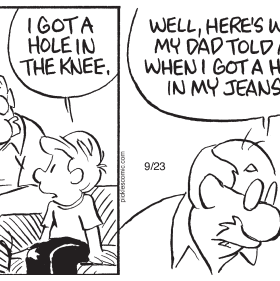
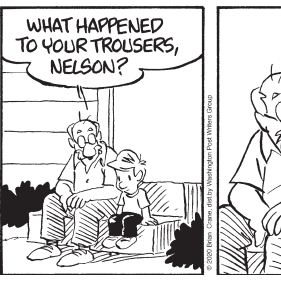
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PICKLES



Human nature strives to be victorious

Q: The world has changed so much since I was young. It seems there’s more sorrow, more despair, and so much hopelessness. I grew up planning to live a victorious life, but with each passing day I am more defeated than before. How can I see things with more hope? – V.D.

A: Everyone likes to be victorious. Victory is something we all want to experience. No one hopes to lose. No one enjoys defeat. Human nature strives to be victorious.

Many times, though, we set our sights on winning, never taking into account that when there is a winner, there is also a loser. What is our attitude toward this struggle?

The late Paul “Bear” Bryant, award-winning coach at the University of Alabama said, “The price of victory is high.”

Another Paul – the Apostle Paul, said, “I press toward the goal for the prize for the upward call of God in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 3:14).

What is our goal, and what is the prize?

The greatest and most costly battle ever to take place was fought between good and evil. This great battle took place at Mt. Calvary – a rugged hill outside the city of Jerusalem – over 2,000 years ago. Christ won salvation for all of mankind and offered it to everyone who would receive it. Jesus was the Victor and He

paid the price with His very blood to win lost souls.

No one who stood at the foot of the cross on that fateful day would ever think that gruesome event would turn out so victorious, but today people all over the world celebrate the joy of Christ’s resurrection from the grave. Heaven will be filled with the victorious souls of those who have humbled themselves before the Savior.

The Bible says, “We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us” (Romans 8:37).

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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Previous Solution: “Nothing gives me quite so much joy as when people tell me they’ve had their pets spayed or neutered.” — Bob Barker

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

1 John 4 :18

Ginsburg was an exemplary justice

The loss of Ruth Bader Ginsburg is a double blow. It will be felt as a personal loss by millions of Americans, and it will stress America's politics at a moment when its fabric is already threatening to come apart. Consider this a measure of the country's current plight: What could be sadder than to fear that the death of a selfless and extraordinary public servant is more likely in the coming weeks to divide the nation than unite it?

Justice Ginsburg taught many lessons over the course of her career in the law. One of the most important will be easy to overlook, even though it offers a corrective for the country's current debility. She exemplified the power of calm intellectual force, patiently applied – and proved that deeply felt disagreement was compatible with discourse and collegiality.

Building on the work of others (as she always insisted), she transformed the country's legal order even before

taking her place on the highest court, dismantling piece by piece a system of legally supported discrimination against women. Her method was ingenious. She fought cases that highlighted the absurdity of the prevailing rules in ways that forced men, hitherto complacent in the face of unacknowledged injustice, to see what they were accustomed to ignore.

In 1975, for instance, she successfully challenged a Social Security rule that saw women as secondary earners and denied husbands survivor benefits on the death of their wives. In this as in other cases, she represented the male victim of discrimination directed against women. Over the course of years, through successful advocacy and deliberate selection of cases, this strategy built a new understanding of what the law owed women: in a word, equality.

Once a member of the highest court, Ginsburg often found herself in the liberal minority, which she in due course

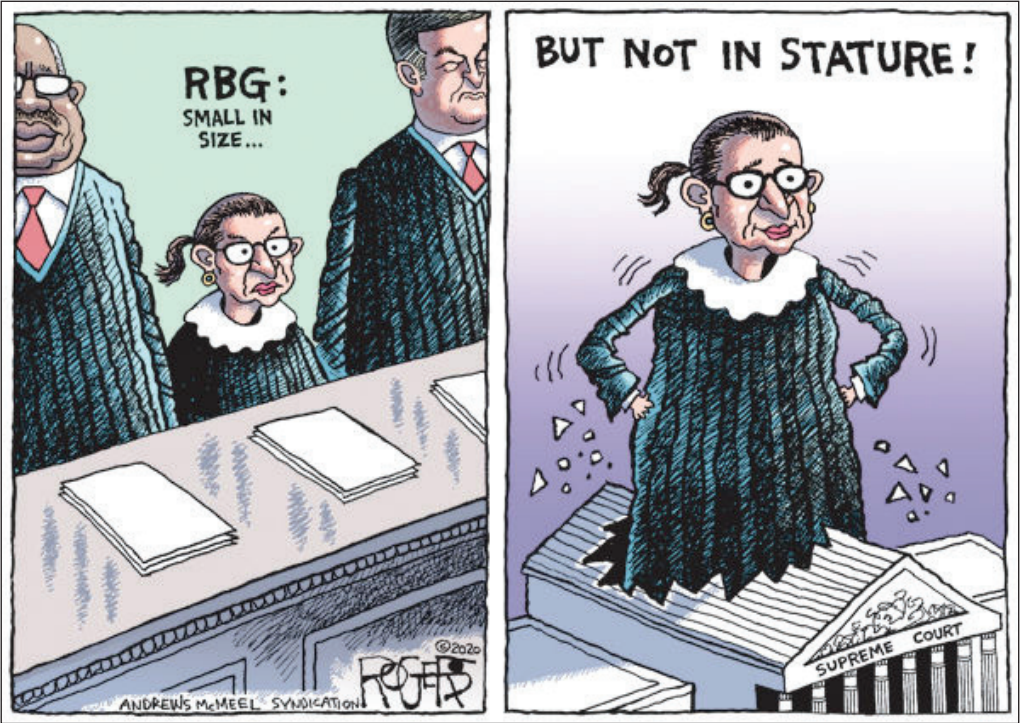
came to lead. In this role, her dissents became unusually potent – not just for the simple language and straightforward reasoning she preferred, but because by design they moved the climate of opinion on the court, in Congress and among the public at large. She was among the minority in one noteworthy case, decided 5-4, where the court rejected a claim of discrimination in pay because the plaintiff had taken more than 180 days to file her claim. In her dissent, Ginsburg said this interpretation of the law made no sense and called on Congress to sort the matter out. Not long after, Congress did as she had asked.

Justice Ginsburg was a liberal, to be sure, but not a stereotypical one. She often favored judicial restraint – and had reservations about Roe v. Wade, for instance, despite believing ardently in a woman's right to choose. She feared that it had got too far ahead of public opinion, and might foreclose a debate that needed to take place. In

this sense, she recognized the limits of judge-made law. She could disagree with the conservative judges without falling out. She was a pragmatic liberal incrementalist, not a revolutionary – and she demonstrated just how powerful that approach could be.

She would have been the first to admit that her timing, at the end, fell short of her high standards. Her empty seat is almost certain to mean a bitter fight over who succeeds her, starting weeks before a crucial election. There's every prospect that this battle will worsen the country's crippling divisions, and further undermine the court's standing as an institution that holds itself apart from prevailing partisan dysfunction. That is a prospect she would have deplored. All who wish to honor her memory, Republicans and Democrats alike, should keep this in mind – and strive, against the odds, to put the integrity of the institution first.

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Hypocrisy and constitutional etiquette

Sen. Lindsey Graham, the South Carolina contortionist, illustrates the perils of attempted cleverness by people with negligible aptitude for it. He says that the principle he enunciated in 2016 and reaffirmed in 2018 – that he would not support confirming a Supreme Court nominee in the last year of President Donald Trump's term – has expired. One reason he gives is – really – that Democrats in 2013 ended filibusters for circuit-court nominees.

The pandemic of national cynicism that the likes of Graham exacerbate is engulfing the Supreme Court, an institution whose functioning will be especially damaged by it. Immediately after Justice Antonin Scalia's death in February 2016, Senate Republicans concocted a principle in order to give a patina of high-mindedness to something they were determined to do anyway. Now, for the same purpose, they have concocted a codicil that essentially nullifies the principle.



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In 2016, slathering on populist rhetoric (about "the American people" having a "voice"), they proclaimed that no Supreme Court nominee should be confirmed in a presidential election year. Now they assert, without pretending to have an argument: Oh, never mind, because unlike in 2016, the Senate majority and the president are of the same party.

Many conservatives, lacking the conservative virtue of prudence, belabor the obvious with a sense of intellectual achievement: They say Barack Obama had the power to nominate Merrick Garland to replace Scalia, and the Senate had the power to deny him an up-or-down vote, so nothing more need be said.

Indeed, nothing more – if there is nothing more to constitutional etiquette than this cold logic of formal powers. The logic is as clear as it is obtuse when offered as a sufficient justification for not voting on an accomplished moderate jurist nominated 237 days before the 2016 election. But the nation's often ferocious political competition, although framed by the Constitution, should be lubricated by prudence, whereby ferocity is tempered by a statesmanlike refusal to exercise every power the Constitution grants.

Sixteen Republicans who were in the Senate in 2016 and who are seeking reelection this year said (Susan Collins did not say this) that refusing to confirm a new justice during a presidential election year was high statesmanship. How many will have the effrontery to vote for

someone nominated while presidential voting is underway, or after the election even if the nominator loses?

Republican senators correctly say that Senate Democrats, given a comparable opportunity, would behave with identical loutishness. Most Republicans argue, like kindergartners, that this justifies their behavior. But if just four non-plastic Republican senators do not ignore their caucus's pretended 2016 principle, the coming nominee cannot be confirmed before the election. And if Trump loses, perhaps even this amazingly malleable Republican caucus might not confirm his nominee before Joe Biden's inauguration. So, whomever Trump nominates might be about to have a tortuous Merrick Garland experience of disappointment.

Suppose, however – not altogether implausibly – that the Republican Senate caucus is incapable of embarrassment. Suppose Biden wins and Democrats have a net gain of at least three Senate seats. And suppose that either before the election, or before the new Senate is sworn in on Jan. 3, Republicans confirm a new justice. And suppose Senate Democrats, spurred by their party's enraged base and enabled by their quick abolition of the filibuster, enlarge the Supreme Court by at least four members (two fewer than Franklin Roosevelt envisioned).

This would erase the principal achievement – three Trump nominees – for which Senate Republicans, during four years of canine obedience to the nominator, have rationalized shedding their dignity and shredding their reputations. This institutional vandalism by Democrats would be a grievous injury to the court, which has, so far, largely escaped being drenched by the Niagara of public contempt for the great institutions of national governance, not least Congress. Public confidence in the court's disinterestedness is the source of its power to defend the Constitution from willful and imprudent majorities, including Senate majorities.

Confidence in the court is as perishable as the reputations of the senators of both parties who in the next few years might cause the court to be seen as just another scuffed and soiled plaything in the nation's increasingly tawdry political game. If so, the Republicans among those senators will be able to see the monument to their careers when they look east from the Capitol's Senate wing, across First Street NE, to the court's glistening white building, where a liberal majority will be presiding on a lengthened bench for a long time.

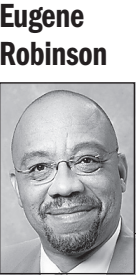
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Democrats: Get mad, and get even

This is a moment to get mad and to get even. The way to do that is to crush President Donald Trump and pulverize the Republican Party in the coming election.

Trump has the power to name a replacement for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who died last week. He says he will nominate a woman, surely an archconservative just raring to kill the Affordable Care Act and reverse Roe v. Wade. The GOP-led Senate has the power to confirm her. And because it can, we should expect that it will.

Doing so would be hypocritical, given the way Republican senators held up Merrick Garland's Supreme Court nomination, cynical and corrosive to the very idea of democracy. But so what? We're talking about Trump,



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who desperately wants voters to focus on something other than the nearly 200,000 people who have died of COVID-19 on his watch. We're talking about Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who could not care less what mere citizens might think. And we're talking about the Senate Republicans, who reliably roll over and give Trump and McConnell whatever they want.

No one can stop them if they decide to go through with this putsch-like power play. But Democrats can make them pay by taking their power away. All of it.

If you're angry about how the GOP is tilting the Supreme Court, the first thing to focus on is booting Trump out of the White House and into well-deserved obscurity.

Four years ago, too many Democrats – especially young people and African Americans – stayed home on Election Day. Just 80,000 more Democratic votes spread across Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania would have given Hillary Clinton, not Trump, the power to nominate three Supreme Court justices, shaping the high court's ideological makeup for decades to come.

I don't know who those Clinton-appointed justices would have been, but I know they wouldn't be Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh and whoever Trump picks later this week. The Supreme Court has to be made a turnout-driving issue for Democrats, the way it has long been for Republicans.

That doesn't mean, however, letting the battle over replacing Ginsburg become the central issue in the campaign. Joe Biden needs to continue hammering away at Trump's weaknesses: his abysmal and tragically dishonest performance on the COVID-19 pandemic; the economic devastation that resulted from his failure to contain the virus the way leaders of other rich countries did; and his decision to respond to the movement against systemic racism by championing Confederate monuments and channeling bitter White grievance.

Trump knows he is losing and wants to change the subject. Don't let him.

The other vital task for Democrats is taking control of the Senate. In some of these races – unlike in the presidential contest – the Republicans' approach to the Supreme Court should be a more central focus.

"I want you to use my words against me," Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said in 2016, as Republicans were denying even the courtesy of a hearing to Garland, former president Barack Obama's high court nominee. "If there's a Republican president in 2016 and a vacancy occurs in the last year of the first term, you can say Lindsey Graham said let's let the next president, whoever it might be, make that nomination."

Now Graham vows to fast-track Trump's court pick. His Democratic challenger, Jaime Harrison – with whom he is statistically tied, according to polls – has already begun hammering Graham as a man whose word cannot be trusted.

GOP Sens. Susan Collins of Maine, Martha McSally of Arizona and Thom Tillis of North Carolina trail their Democratic opponents; while Cory Gardner of Colorado, Joni Ernst of Iowa, Steve Daines of Montana and Graham are also in serious trouble. If Democrats win any four of those seats, then even if Democrat Doug Jones gets ousted in deep-red Alabama, McConnell's majority is gone.

If he stays true to form, McConnell will plow forward and try to fill Ginsburg's seat before the election. But if he decides that doing so would threaten his control of the chamber – or if enough endangered or moderate Republicans balk – he could decide to delay the deed.

He could still do it in the lame-duck session, even if Trump and the Republicans are given the kind of landslide whipping they deserve. But we, the people, will have spoken with a roar. And, come January, Democrats will have the power to do a lot more than nurse their anger.

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HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 23, the 267th day of 2020. There are 99 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:
On Sept. 23, 1952, Sen. Richard M. Nixon, R-Calif., salvaged his vice-presidential nomination by appearing on television from Los Angeles to refute allegations of improper campaign fundraising in what became known as the

"Checkers" speech.

On this date:
In 1949, President Harry S. Truman announced there was evidence the Soviet Union had recently conducted a nuclear test explosion.

In 1955, a jury in Sumner, Mississippi, acquitted two white men, Roy Bryant and J.W. Milam, of murdering Black teenager Emmett Till.

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Legals

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF WABASH
IN THE WABASH CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NUMBER: 85C01-1903-JC-12
IN THE MATTER OF:
KB-DOB 1/4/2018
A CHILD ALLEGED TO BE
A CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES
AND
CORY BOWERS (MOTHER)
BRETT NICCUM (FATHER)
SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY
PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF
CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES HEARING
TO: Cory Bowers
Whereabouts unknown
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent whose whereabouts are unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the child to be in Need of Services, in accordance with I.C. 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Wabash Circuit Court, 49 West Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46992 - 260-563-0661 for a(n) Hearing on Pending Motion on 11/6/2020 at 9:00 AM. At said hearing, the Court will consider the Petition and evidence thereon and will render its decision as to whether the above named minor child is child in need of services and shall enter adjudication accordingly. Your failure to appear after lawful notice will be deemed as your default and waiver to be present at said hearing.
UPON ENTRY OF SAID ADJUDICATION, A DISPOSITIONAL HEARING will be held in which the Court will consider (1) Alternatives for the care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child; (2) The necessity, nature, and extent of your participation in the program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child; and (3) Your financial responsibility for any services provided for the parent, guardian or custodian of the child including child support.
YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, an adjudication on said petition, judgment by default may be entered against you, or the court may proceed in your absence, without further notice.
9/18/2020
/s/Lori J. Draper (Seal)
Clerk
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Attorney, Indiana Department of Child Services
403 S. Cass Street
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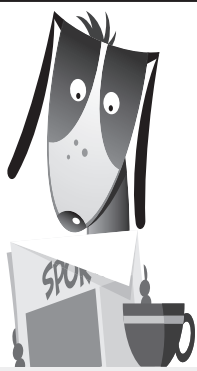
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Legals

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR THE WABASH COUNTY JAIL PROJECT
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Wabash County, Indiana, is requesting proposals from interested persons or entities to serve as an "Owner's Representative" for construction of a new county jail ("Project"), including qualifying the Project for USDA financing.
The Project, as presently conceived, contemplates using a "design-build" or a "build to operate" method, and the scope of work includes serving as the owner's representative through one or more of the following phases:
o Project development and planning
o Design development
o Contract documents
o Pricing and bidding
o Construction
A more detailed scope of work and a listing of other specifications to be included in the proposal is available upon request at the office of the Wabash County Auditor in the Wabash County Courthouse.
Proposals shall be accepted at the office of the Wabash County Auditor until 9:00 a.m., on October 13, 2020.
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA
September 17, 2020 Marcie Shepherd
Wabash County Auditor
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Legals

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF WABASH
IN THE WABASH CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO. 85C01-2004-EU-000034
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
DEBRA L. TUCKER, DECEASED.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
For Publication in Newspaper
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA:
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
DEBRA L. TUCKER, DECEASED.
ESTATE DOCKET
NO. 85C01-2004-EU-000034
Notice is hereby given that Shelly S. Osborne was, on September 11, 2020, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Debra L. Tucker, deceased, who died on November 7, 2019.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Wabash, Indiana,
on September 5th, 2020.
/s/Lori J. Draper (Seal)
CLERK WABASH CIRCUIT COURT
IC\$29-1-7-7 07/2007 Notice of Administration for Publication Notice shall be published in the newspaper for two (2) consecutive weeks.
Mr. Justin R. Wall
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Wabash businesses hosts student internships this semester

The high school intern at Wabash Marketplace is Carly Hawkins

STAFF REPORT

Various organizations in downtown Wabash have opened their doors to local students, giving them opportunities to take learning out of the classroom and into the real world, according to Andrea Zwiebel, Wabash Marketplace executive director.

“Whether this lands these scholars jobs right out of their schooling, or aligns them with further educational plans, many Wabash businesses are thrilled to host students this semester,” said Zwiebel.

Businesses in downtown Wabash hosting student interns include:

- Bellazo
- Grow Wabash County
- Honeywell Center
- Hoosier Chiropractic
- Purdue Extension

Wabash County

- Tiny Threads
- Visit Wabash County
- Wabash County Court Services
- Wabash Marketplace
- Wabash County YMCA

The high school intern at Wabash Marketplace is Carly Hawkins, who is a senior at Northfield High School. Her internship focuses on marketing, event planning, and nonprofit administration.

Hawkins joins the staff for 12 hours per week.

“I am thrilled to be Wabash Marketplace’s intern for this school year,” said Hawkins.

“Growing up in Wabash, I have always enjoyed being involved in my community.



The high school intern at Wabash Marketplace is Carly Hawkins, who is a senior at Northfield High School.

This internship lines directly with my plans after graduation, which include attending college to pursue a degree in marketing and communications. I am very grateful for Andrea and Kelsey for taking me on as a part of their team, and teaching me many valuable skills that will help me in my future. Working with them has been a blast so far, and I’m excited to see what the future holds.”

MSD of Wabash County is one of many educational establishments in Wabash that offer an internship program opportunity to their students.

“This year’s internship placement process has been more challenging due to COVID-19 restrictions,

especially within the health-care industry. However, the Wabash County business community has been incredibly welcoming to my students and has extended amazing opportunities to them. My appreciation for these businesses can’t be expressed enough. Without a community that believes in and supports the internship program, the program would never be successful. I feel so blessed to be a part of a community that believes in our youth, and is willing to invest in their futures,” said Kari Johnson, professional career internship coordinator.

For more information, visit www.wabashmarketplace.org or call 260-563-0975.

Ivy Tech Fort Wayne and MadeByMe host Manufacturing Day event Oct. 2

This virtual event is meant to address misconceptions about manufacturing

STAFF REPORT

Ivy Tech Community College Fort Wayne is collaborating with MadeByMe to celebrate National Manufacturing Day from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2 with a virtual event, according to Jessica Neuenschwander, Ivy Tech media relations and communications director.

“Manufacturing Day is meant to address misconceptions about manufacturing by giving companies

and employers a chance to showcase what they do and address the skilled labor shortage they face,” said Neuenschwander. “A growing share of manufacturing jobs require a certification and associate degree. Ivy Tech’s programs are developed in collaboration with employers to provide students the best chance of landing an internship-work based learning experience and then a high-wage career. Concerning social distancing and safety precautions, this year’s event will be held virtually. There will be three sessions including a presentation from Ivy Tech employees talking about their programs, a career ex-

ploration workshop where attendees can connect with local employers to discuss job and internship opportunities, and a question and answer session panel with presenters and employers.”

Employers in attendance will include Felderman Design-Build, Fort Wayne Metals, Generex, Micropulse, Ottenweller Company, PMG, Polygon Company, QuikCut, Rea Magnet Wire Company, Shambaugh & Son, Shindigz, Steel Dynamics and Ward Corporation.

Reservations may be made by visiting link.ivytech.edu/MFG.

For more information, email Kyle Bischoff at kbischoff2@ivytech.edu.

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The Wabash County Solid Waste Management District Is Hosting A

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This event will be held at the Wabash Co. Solid Waste District
1101 Manchester Ave., Wabash

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 2020

Hours of drop off will be: SATURDAY Oct. 3rd from 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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